

Allegheny County Council

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 31, 2017

5:00 PM

Conference Room 1

Committee on Appointment Review

*Ed Kress, Chair
Committee of the Whole*

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Invited Guests:

Invited Guests Present: Austin Davis, Executive Assistant, County Executive's Office

Council Staff Present: Stephanie Buka

II. Roll Call

Members Present: 4 - Ed Kress, Sue Means, John Palmiere and Paul Klein

Members Absent: 9 - Cindy Kirk, Nick Futules, Chuck Martoni, Bob Macey, DeWitt Walton, Jim Ellenbogen, Denise Ranalli-Russell, John DeFazio and Sam DeMarco

Members Phone: 2 - Tom Baker and Patrick Catena

III. Approval of Minutes

[10195-17](#)

A motion was made by Palmiere, seconded by Klein, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

IV. Agenda Items

Appointments

[10138-17](#)

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Ms. Magley described her professional experience and reported that she enjoys working with diverse populations. The Chair recognized Mr. Davis, who noted that Ms. Magley served on the Government Review Commission.

A motion was made by Means, seconded by Palmiere, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Held in Committee

[10140-17](#)

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Mr. Sacco described his background and his confidence in President Dr. Bullock. In response to a question from Councilman Klein, Mr. Sacco noted that the school's challenges include maintaining an affordable education for students and keeping costs down. Councilman Palmiere and Mr. Sacco discussed the possibility of consolidating

offerings within the skilled trades program. Mr. Palmiere commented on the diversity of the student body. Members discussed declining enrollment at CCAC compared to California University of Pennsylvania and Edinboro University. Councilwoman Means inquired about establishing dormitories at the Boyce Campus and Mr. Sacco replied that Dr. Bullock is promoting the idea and it is under consideration. Mr. Sacco responded to a question from Ms. Means stating that Dr. Bullock's message and the college's goal is to ensure graduates gain employment.

A motion was made by Means, seconded by Palmiere, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

10141-17

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Ms. Wilson credited Executive Director Arletta Williams with excellent leadership and reported that the employees are outstanding with safety and security in the workplace. She encouraged members to attend the agency's award-winning annual Open House on Saturday, September 16, 2017. Ms. Wilson explained that she serves on the Authority as a representative of both the city and county, and she was first appointed in 2000. In response to a question from Councilwoman Means, Ms. Wilson stated the Allegheny County Executive has three (3) appointees, the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh has three (3) appointees, and there is one (1) joint county-city appointee, with each serving a five-year term. Ms. Wilson replied to a question from Ms. Means, stating that the Authority's funding comes from rate payers alone. Councilman Catena made an inquiry concerning the customer assistance program and Ms. Wilson reported that the board will be discussing the topic in an upcoming meeting.

A motion was made by Baker, seconded by Palmiere, that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.